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SUBJ: CIVAIR: TRANSBRAZIL NEGOTIATES TO BUY AIRBUS

REF: STATE 18841

1. INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO CONGEN INDICATES TRANSBRAZIL HOPES SIGN TWO-YEAR- LEASE CONTRACT, WITH OPTION TO BUY, FOR TWO AIRBUSES. FIRST AIRBUS TO BE AVAILABLE JUNE 1974 AT \$145,000 PER MONTH, SECOND IN JUNE 1975 AT \$165,000 PER MONTH. LEASE PAYMENTS WOULD BE APPLIED TO PURCHASE PRICES. SELLING PRICE REPORTED AS \$15.5 MILLION FOR FIRST AIRCRAFT AND \$17.5 MILLION FOR SECOND AIRCRAFT. PRICE DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN TWO AIRCRAFT DUE TO FACT THAT FIRST IS A PROTOTYPE. DURING PERIOD OF LEASE, MANUFACTURER WILL PROVIDE MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL, SPARE PARTS, AND GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT.

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2. COMMENT: NO DATA AVAILABLE ON INTEREST RATE TO BE

CHARGED IF PLANES ARE PURCHASED, BUT UNDERSTAND AMORTIZATION PERIOD WOULD BE TEN TO TWELVE YEARS.

- 3. BRAZILIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES (DAC) CURRENTLY CONSIDERING TRANSBRAZIL REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CONTRACT. DAC HAS, IN THE PAST, HASITATED TO AUTHORIZE AIRPLANE LEASING ARRANGEMENTS. IN ADDITION, DAC UNDERSTOOD TO BE SOMEWHAT RELUCTANT AUTHORIZE INTRODUCTION OF AIRBUS INTO BRAZIL, THEREBY DISRUPTING ITS EFFORTS TO HOMOGENIZE AIRCRAFT EQUIPMENT.
- 4. ABOVE CONTRACT TERMS ARE SUFFICIENTLY ENTICING TO INTEREST MOST ANY COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT COMPANY. LEASING ARRANGEMENT, WPICH ELIMINATES LARGE INITIAL CAPITAL OUTLAY, WOULD BE ESPECIALLY ATTRACTIVE TO TRANSBRAZIL, WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BE OPERATING ON VERY SHORT CAPITAL BUDGET. BOONSTRA

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